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# PITTSFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

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# 150TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Sunday July 2 Monday July 3 Tuesday July 4

Nineteen Hundred Eleven

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## **PITTSFIELD**



TTSFIELD, which celebrates the 150th anniversary of its corporate existence July 2d, 3d and 4th, 1911, is the shire city, or county seat, of Berkshire, the western county of Massachusetts. History relates that the pioneer settlers located here in 1743. The township was then known as The Plantation of Pontoosuck, but when Col. William Williams secured the passage of the act by which the settlement was incorporated as a town, Sir Francis Bernard, the royal governor of Massachusetts, gave it the name of Pittsfield, in honor of William Pitt, Earl of Chatham and popularly known as "The Great Commoner." The town

form of government was continued until 1891 when, by vote of the citizens, Pittsfield became a city. Situated as it is in the center of the Berkshire Hills, the most famous scenic region in America, Pittsfield has

never ceased to be a favored place of residence and has grown steadily in population, the last census showing 32,121. The city is served by the Boston and Albany and New York, New Haven and Hartford railroads and is in close touch, thereby, with New York, Boston, Springfield and Albany. Its street railway system extends to Connecticut on the south, Vermont on the north, and will soon be connected with an eastern system reaching to Boston and a western system to Albany. Fine water, a complete and modern sewerage system, well paved streets, admirable schools, a well equipped fire department and an efficient police department, are some of the municipal features. Pittsfield boasts many large manufacturing industries, eight banking institutions, a live board of trade, and mercantile establishments second to no city of its size in the country. It is a city of homes, with beautiful shaded streets, and the educational opportunities offered by such institutions as the library, museum, Y. M. C. A., Boys' Club, Business Women's Association and Working Girls' Club, appreciably supplement the work of the public schools. Its church organizations have handsome edifices and are flourishing and prosperous.

Pittsfield is known far and wide as "The Gem City of the Berkshires," a title of peculiar appropriateness, because of its natural beauty, its high standards of municipal and individual life, and because, from a materialistic as well as from an idealistic standpoint, it possesses in an unusual degree the characteristics of the ideal American city.

# Outline of Program

# Sunday, July 2nd

10.30 A. M.

Services in all churches with Anniversary sermons.

**AFTERNOON** 

2.15 P. M.

Laying of the Corner Stone of the New Morningside Baptist Church. Address by Hon. Louis A. Frothingham, Lieutenant Governor of Massachusetts.

Public address by President Harry A. Garfield of Williams College, on the First Street Common. Special music.

# Monday, July 3rd

10.30 A. M.

Dedication, under the auspices of the Berkshire County Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, assisted by Mr. F. E. McSweeney

and school children, of Memorial Bowlder on site of Easton's Tavern, South Street.

2 P. M.

Historical Street Pageant, representing Pitts-field's progress for 150 years.

8 P. M.

Anniversary Meeting at Colonial Theatre. Address by Ex-Gov. John D. Long of Hingham.

9.30 P. M.

Illumination of Park and streets.

# Tuesday, July 4th

10.30 A. M.

Civic, Military and Industrial Parade.

AFTERNOON

Aeroplane flights at Allen Farm.

**EVENING** 

Fireworks display at Colt's Lot.



The Hon, John D. Long Principal Orator of the 150th Anniversary Celebration



Mr. Harry Augustus Garfield, LL.D. President of Williams College Speaker at the Public Meeting, July 2



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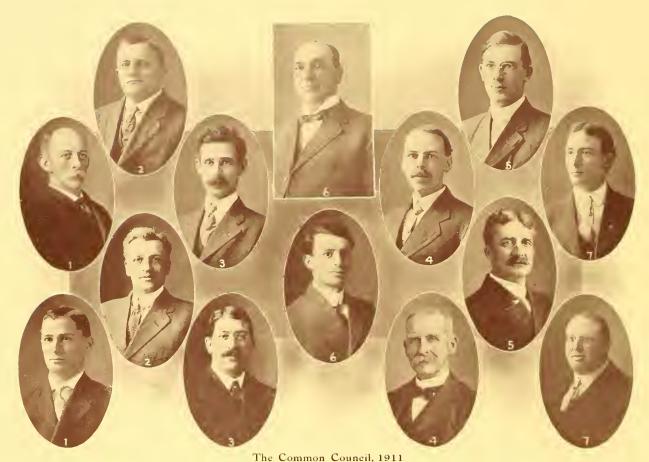
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Lower row:—Daniel England, 1902; Harry D. Sisson, 1903-4; Allen H. Bagg, 1905-6-7; William H. MacInnis, 1908-9-10; Kelton B. Miller, 1911.

# THE 150th ANNIVERSARY ODE

By HARLAN H. BALLARD

Our dear loved home, we raise
To thee a song of praise
On this glad day:
We love thy pleasant land,
We love thy mountains grand,
To thee both heart and hand
We pledge for aye.

Here in their light canoe
O'er lake Onota flew
Dark Indian braves;
Here hunter's toils were set,
Here chiefs in council met,
Here sleep red warriors yet
In unmarked graves.

Where Housatonic flows
Our fathers' homes arose
Mid forests drear:
Here all they hoped they sought,
Here all they loved they brought,
Here all their lives they wrought;
They slumber here.

Here Williams' footsteps strayed,
Here Parson Allen prayed,
Here Easton sleeps;
Here Watson, Briggs and Brown
And Tucker won renown,
And here the sorrowing town
O'er Bartlett weeps.

Now every flag unfurl
For England's noble earl
And shout his fame:
Thrice fifty years are flown
Since Chatham dared the throne,
And made our cause his own
And ours his name.

O'er Pittsfield's glorious past No record e'er can cast A cloud of shame; She stands as fair today; And O, dear God, we pray That all the future may Guard her good name.



Natives of Pittsfield
They were here when the Indians came



Earl of Chatham, known as "The Great Commoner", for whom Pittsfield was named William Pitt 1708-1778



Early Pontoosuck Landholders

Left to Right:—Col. Elisha Jones, who bought the present Country Club property of Wendell-Stoddard-Livingston, grantees.
Col. Jacob Wendell, grandfather of Oliver Wendell Holmes, who in 1735 bought at auction the inchoate rights of Pontoosuck, 24,040 acres, for 1,320 pounds sterling.

Philip Livingston of Albany, kinsman of Col, Wendell, who claimed Pontoosuck as part of Livingston Manor, and became a joint owner with Col. Wendell and John Stoddard,



Sites of Early Pontoosuck Forts

Upper left hand picture:—Site of Fort Goodrich, built by Capt. Charles Goodrich, 1756.

Upper right hand picture:—Site of Fort Fairfield, built by Stephen Crofoot, Nathaniel Fairfield and others, 1758.

Lower left hand picture:—Site of Fort Anson, built by Col. William Williams, 1754.

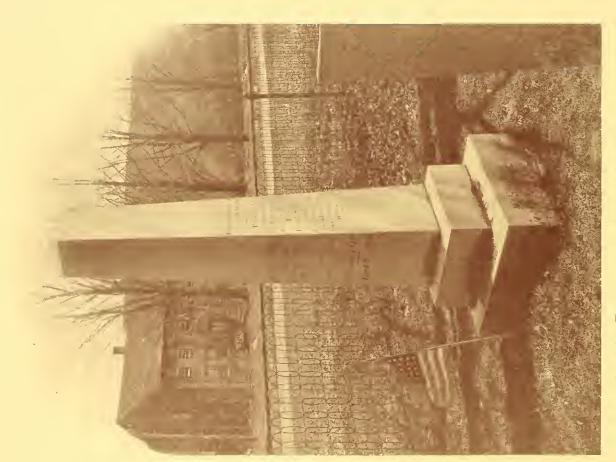
Lower right hand picture:—Site of Fort Ashley, near Onota Lake, built in 1757.



Historical River and Lake Views

Upper:—Where Deacon Stephen Crofoot built a dam on Housatonic River in 1758. Middle:—Melville Lake, where Longfellow risked his life to pick pond lilies in 1848.

Lower:- Here Deacon Crofoot built a bridge across the Housatonic in 1754. First public work in the settlement.

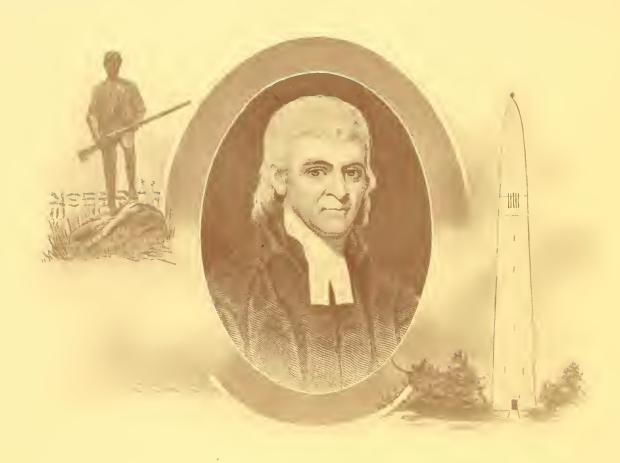


Pittsfield's Tribute over the Grave of Sarah Deming

The first white woman settler and the first white mother in the plantation of Pontoosuck.

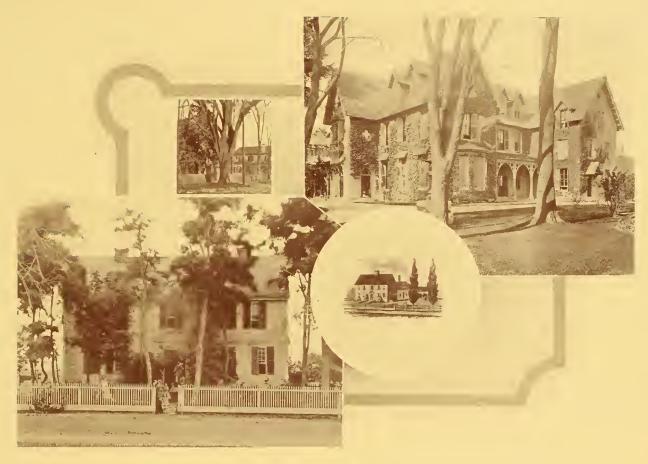


Solomon Deming's House on Elm Street, built 1752, razed May, 1911 Home of Sarah Deming, first white woman in Pittsfield, and her daughter Dorothy, first white child. Dorothy's chair in small picture.



Parson Thomas Allen

First pastor of The First Church of Christ in Pittsfield, to which he was called in 1764. He led the first detachment of Berkshire Minute. Men, 22 in number, that responded to the call for aid sent from Bennington. Parson Allen and his comrades fought under the personal command of Gen. Stark in the memorable conflict of August 15, 1777.



The Three Allen Houses

Small circular picture:—The home of Parson Thomas Allen.

Lower picture:—The second Thomas Allen home on the same site.

Large upper picture:—"Eagle's Nest", the third Thomas Allen home, now standing.

Small upper picture:-The twin elms planted by Parson Allen at the birth of his twin babies. Cut down in 1910.



Famous Old Pittsfield Homes

Upper left picture is the William Brattle house built on Williams Street in 1702. Mr. Brattle kept a malt house near his residence as early as 1703.

Upper right hand picture is of the John Chandler Williams house, built about 1780 by Col, James Easton. In it was celebrated the Peace Party at the close of the Revolution. Now the St. Stephen's rectory.

Lower picture shows the Harding house on East Street. Erected 1793 for a town hall, stood on the site of St. Stephen's Church until 1832, Cost about 250 pounds sterling. Lafayette in 1825 was received in it, and addressed the people from the upper right hand window.



Sturdy Men of Old Pittsfield

Calvin Martin, for 53 years member of the Berkshire bar.

Jason Clapp, who built carriages for Presidents and royalty.

Martin Bagg, a Continental soldier of prominence.



Old Views of Park Square

Park Square in 1807, 1310 and 1855, and in small picture, the sundial marking the spot where stood the Old Elm. "From Greylock to Monument Mountain there was no inanimate thing so revered and venerable." Three views show the famous tree.



The Park in the Olden Days

The lower view of Park Square was taken about 1810. It shows the Old Elm, Parson Allen's house and Griswold's Inn. In the upper view is Capt. Merrick's tavern, on the site of the Berkshire Life Building, and the Bulfineh Church about 1822.



The Revered and Venerable Old Elm.

In its prime this tree, one of the most historical in America, was 126 feet high. Picture shows the elm in 1850.



The Three Edifices of the First Church

Lower picture:—Church designed by Bulfinch in 1794, removed to Maplewood 1855, now an assembly hall. Upper picture:—First Church of Christ, dedicated July 6, 1853. Cost \$29,000. Capacity, 1,100. Small view is of the First Church, in which "Parson" Allen preached in 1764.



As Pittsfield Appeared 55 Years Ago
This view of Pittsfield, from one of the Maplewood buildings, is reproduced from a lithograph printed in Paris after a drawing made by Mr. James C. Clapp in 1856.



Early Pittsfield Men and Visitors

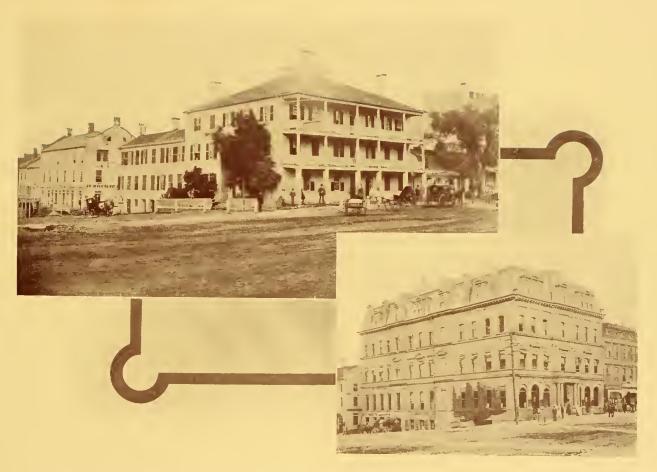
Upper left to right:—Henry Van Schaack, builder of Country Club house; Elkanah Watson, founder of agricultural societies; Allan Melville, an early resident.

Lower: - Herman Melville, the famous writer, who bought Arrowhead in 1852: Marquis de LaFayette, who visited Pittsfield in 1825.



Country Club of Pittsfield. Built by Henry Van Schaack, 1785

Once "Broad Hall", a famous boarding house. Longfellow, Hawthorne, Holmes and other famous men lived here. First view, 22 foot hallway: Second view, west front in 1909; Third view, east front in 1911.



The Berkshire Life Corner

Upper picture:—Berkshire House, erected in 1827. Pittsfield men contributed \$650 towards its construction.

Lower picture:—Berkshire Life Insurance Company's building, erected in 1868, now under reconstruction. Home of Pittsfield's Post Office from 1868 to 1911.



Street Corner Changes of Forty Years

Upper picture:—Old United States Hotel building, corner South and West Streets, about 1870.

Lower right hand picture:—Same corner twenty years later.

Left hand picture:—Hotel Wendell, built by Mr. Samuel Bowerman in 1898, at a cost of about \$250,000.



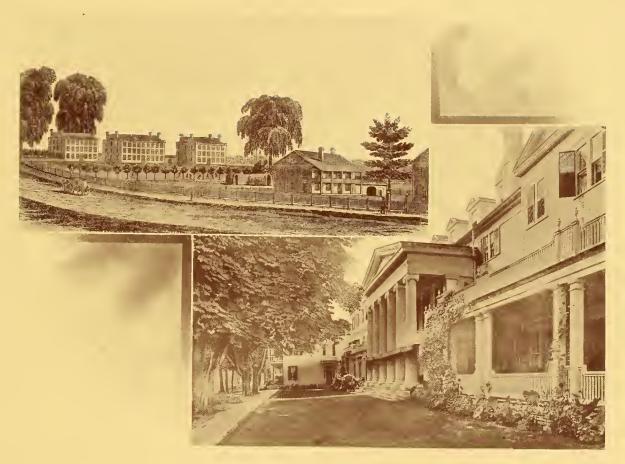
The Savings Bank Corner

In 1850 Mr. John C. West built West's Block, shown in the upper picture. It took the place of a wooden building which was accounted very handsome in its day. In 1896 the Berkshire County Savings Bank built and occupied the attractive and costly building in lower view.



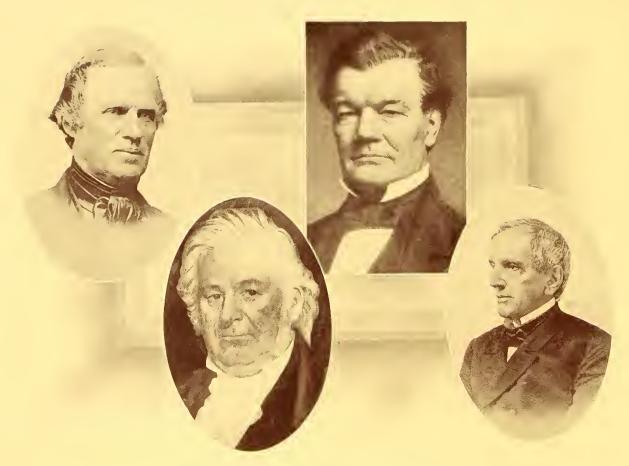
The Backus Corner

Bank Row and the so-called Backus Corner in 1869. Picture shows Berkshire County Court House foundations and the Wood Building as it formerly was, three stories high. New Park Building in lower view, showing development of the corner in 40 years.



Maplewood--Old and New

Berkshire Gymnasium built by Mr. Lemuel Pomeroy, 1826. A high school for young men founded on a peculiar German model by Prof. Chester Dewey, a prominent American scientist. Now a part of The Maplewood Hotel, shown in lower view.



Prominent Personages in Pittsfield's Past

Upper Left Hand Portrait:—Hon. George Nixon Briggs, who never wore a collar. Brought all of his belongings on his back into Berkshire in boyhood. Congressman from Berkshire, 1830-1841. Governor of Massachusetts, 1843-1850.

Lower Left Hand Portrait:—Lemnel Pomeroy, who came to Pittsfield in 1799, a prosperous, generous, public-spirited early citizen of Pittsfield.

Upper Right Hand Portrait:—Thomas F. Plunkett worked his way to wealth and honorable position. Peddler, farmer, manufacturer, financier, president of the Berkshire Life Insurance Company.

Lower Right Hand Portrait:--Hon. Julius Rockwell, who succeeded Edward Everett as U. S. Senator from Massachusetts. Justice of the Superior Court from its organization in 1859 to the time of his death in 1888.



The Pomeroy Homestead

Freeted on East Street in 1770 by Capt. John Strong, for a tavern. Later the home of Col. Robt. Pomeroy and a center of Pittsfield social life. On the site now stands the fine Colonial mansion owned by the late Bishop George Worthington. Col. Pomeroy is shown holding pony.



North Street Fifty Years Ago
Showing the agricultural store of George N. Dutton and the decapitated First Baptist Church spire, 1801.



Original Mill of The Pontoosue Woolen Co.

Built by Henry Shaw of Lanesboro; David Campbell, Thaddeus Clapp and George W. Campbell, of Pittsfield, in the year 1825.

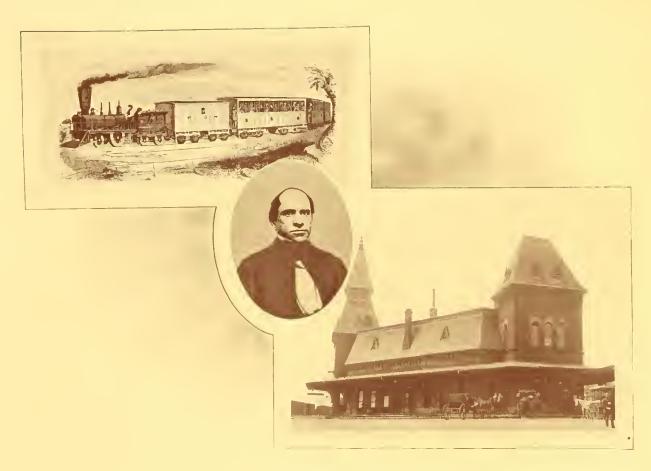


Maplewood in About 1855

Picture shows the Greek Chapel built in 1840, the Bulfinch Church, moved to present site in 1851, and the beautiful grounds.



Park Square in 1865
Showing the fountain, the three rail fence and the band stand.



After Stage Coach Days

Upper Passenger train on Western railroad, 1843 Center-Luther Taylor, engineer Western railroad, 1843

Lower - Union railroad depot. Built in 1866



Round House and Jubilee Hill

A scene of 1860 showing a famous engine and "Jubilee Hill" sixteen years after its christening.



In The Days of the Volunteers

George Y. Learned Engine Co. No. 2 and Greylock Hook and Ladder Co. Taken in 1805.



A Beloved Poet and "Holmesdale"

Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes' villa in 1849, where he spent what he called "seven blessed summers." "Holmesdale", on the site of the poet's "snug little place", the country residence of Mr. William Pollock.



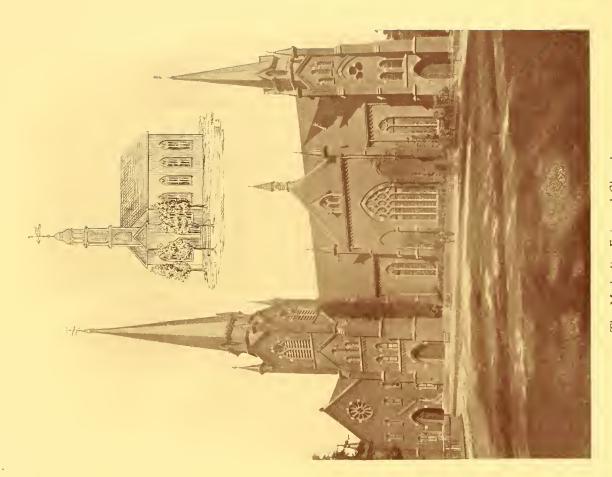
First Baptist Church of Pittsfield

Left:-Church as remodeled in 1875. Cost \$39,000. Center:-Drawing of Church of 1850. Right:-Church built in 1850. Cost \$8,500.

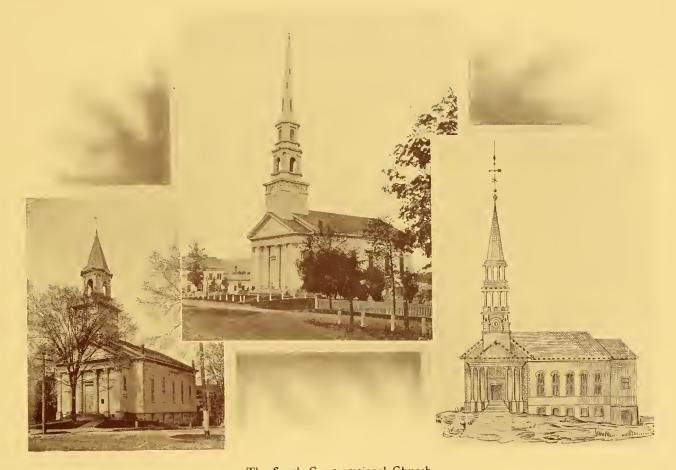


St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

Left:-Old St. Stephen's, built in 1832. Center:-St. Stephen's Church. Built in 1889. Right:-Union Church. Episcopal services were held 1830-2.



Cost \$115,000. Capacity, 2.000. Spire 170 feet high. Insert. Methodist Church of 1852. The Methodist Episcopal Church Built in 1873.



The South Congregational Church

Left:—The church in 1911. Center:—As built in 1850. Cost \$12,000. Right:—Drawing of the church in 1849.



St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church Built in 1864. Capacity, 1,900. Spire 176 ft. high. Insert. First St. Joseph's Church, built in 1844.



Notre Dame Roman Catholic Church Dedicated September 15, 1895.

St. Charles' Roman Catholic Church Corner stone laid October 7, 1894.



Second Congregational Church
Built 1846. Rev. Samuel Harrison preached here nearly 50 years.



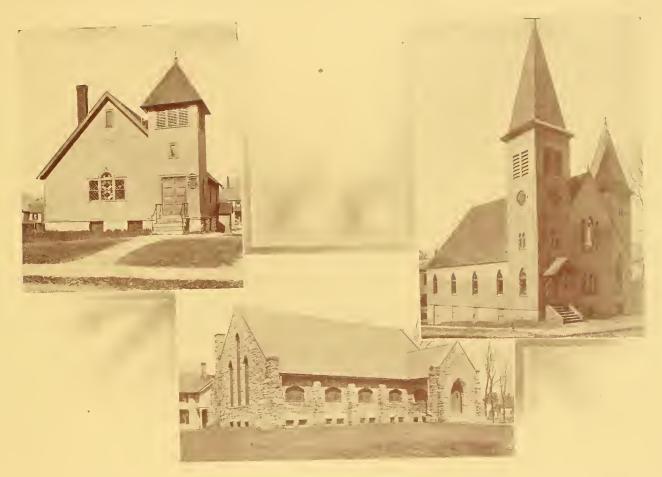


German Lutheran Churches



Unity Church, Unitarian Built 1890.

First Church of Christ, Scientist Reconstructed 1907.



Attractive Church Edifices

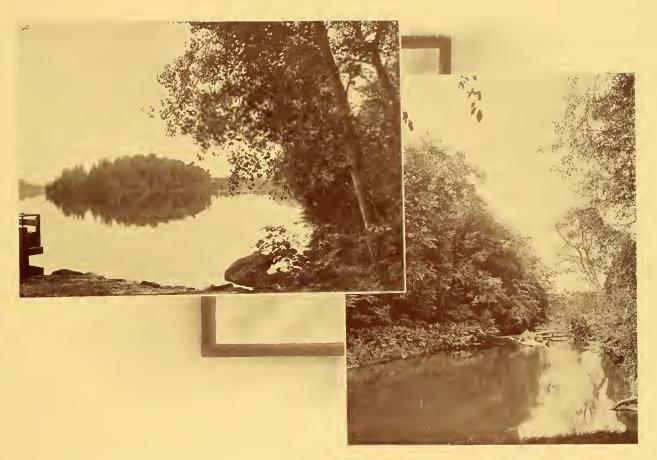
Upper left picture—The Morningside Baptist Church. Organized 1896. Center picture—The Pilgrim Memorial Church. Organized 1897.

Upper right picture—The Advent Church.



Pittsfield's Famous Literary Shrine

Upper picture—"Elm Knoll" where in 1845 Longfellow wrote "The Old Clock on the Stairs." Center—The Clock "half way up the stairs," and the poet at the time of his second marriage, Lower—That "old-fashioned country seat," the Plunkett house of today.



Indian Point, Onota Lake
An Early Ford on Housatonic River, near Holmes Road
An aboriginal hunting ground long visited by Mohegan Indians.
Route of Indians to their burial grounds at Canoe Meadows.



Business and Residential Streets

North Street, showing the heart of trade.

East Street, the widest and most historical street.



Landmarks of Rural Pittsfield

The Oliver Wendell Holmes Pine. A primeval tree. The Balanced Rock. 25 ft. long. 15 ft. wide. 10 ft thick, weighs 105 tons.



Remarkable Natural Curiosities

Cross Rock. A bowlder shrine.

Split Rock. Where wood divides stone.



The American House Corner Since 1842

Upper—Old Egyptian Western Railroad Depot, built 1842, burned Nov. 5, 1854. Old American House. Center—New American House as remodeled in 1911.

Lower—The American House from 1860 to 1898.



Barkerville Fifty Years Ago
The homes of John V., Charles T. and Otis R. Barker.



In The Pittsfield Cemetery

Lower:—Monuments to Rev. Thomas Allen and Hon. Thomas Allen. Upper:—Gordon McKay Mausoleum, erected 1893.

Lower right:—Clapp Memorial Chapel. Built in 1900.



In the Pittsfield Cemetery
Two attractive views of St. John's Lake, a short distance beyond the entrance.



Entrance to the Pittsfield Cemetery

Grand Portals of Great Barrington blue stone presented by Hon, Thomas Allen, with bronze gates presented by Mrs. Allen.

The entrance drive.



Hon. Phineas Allen Founder of the Pittsfield Sun.

Men Who Left an Impress on the Past
Mr. Abel West
Who planted the Elms in Pittsfield Park.

Rev. Dr. John Todd One of Pittsfield's famous ministers.



Historical Homes of Pittsfield

Upper left view:—Dr. Timothy Child's home, showing part of the original house built in 1774. Upper right view:—Arrowhead, built about 1780, showing Herman Melville's "North Piazza." Lower:—Old Campbell house on South Street, fine example of early architecture.



"Pale Glory Walks by Valor's Bier"

Left Brig. Gen. Henry S. Briggs. Lower center—Capt. William W. Rockwell. Upper center-Col. Walter Cutting. Right-Brig, Gen. William Francis Bartlett.



Judge James M. Barker.

Prominent Figures in the Past Mr. Edwin Clapp.

Judge James D. Colt.



"To The Dead a Tribute"









Rev. Dr. W. W. Newton Preacher-Writer.

Four Well-known Faces
Mr. Henry W. Taft
Late Clerk of Berkshire Courts.
Mr. William R. Plunkett
Late President Berkshire Life Ins. Co.

Mr. Robert W. Adam Lawyer-Banker.



Municipal Buildings

Upper left:-The City Hall erected in 1832. Upper right: Municipal Hall. Reconstructed in 1910.

Lower: Police headquarters.



Two Magnificent Gifts to Pittsfield

Lower:-Museum of Natural History and Art. The Gift of Hon. Zenas Crane. Opened April 1, 1903.

Insert:-Hon. Thomas Allen, donor of Berkshire Athenaeum.



Mr. Phineas Allen, Jr. of the Pittsfield Sun.

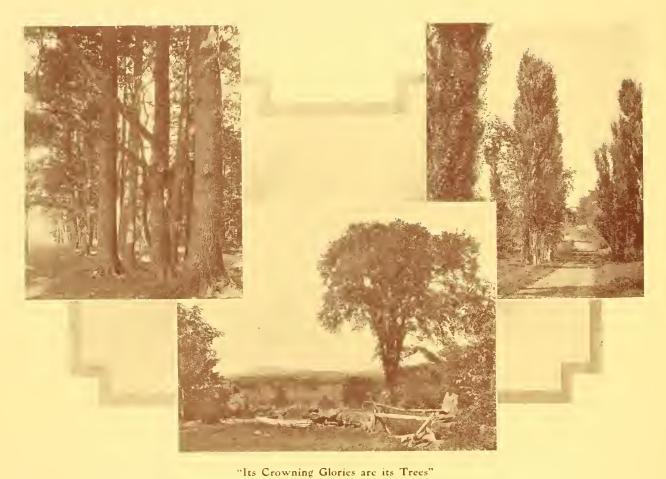
Publishers and Editors of Pittsfield

Mr. James Harding of the Pittsfield Sun. Mr. Joseph E. A. Smith Historian of Pittsfield. Mr. Hiram T. Oatman of the Sunday Morning Call.



Marble Public Buildings

Upper:—The Berkshire County Court House. Erected 1871. Built of Sheffield marble. Original cost, \$200,000. Lower:—United States Post Office. Opened 1911. Cost of land and building, \$125,000.



Left:-Primeval trees on W. Russell Allen farm. Right:-Lombardy poplars on Holmes Road.

Center:-Sentinel elm at top of Snake Hill.



Veteran Business Men of Pittsfield

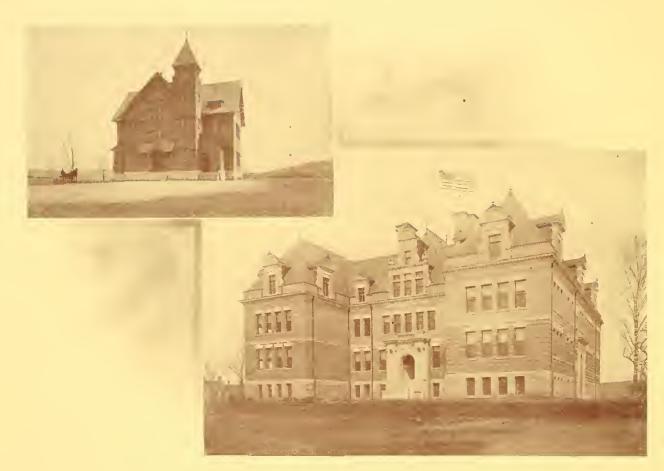
Mr. John Feeley.

Mr. Moses P. Lawton.

Mr. Michael Casey.

Mr. Gilbert West.

Mr. Moses P. Lawton. Mr. William M. Prince.



Old and New High Schools

Lower-Pittsfield High School. Built in 1896. Capacity, 600 pupils. Cost of land and building, \$100,000. Upper-Old High School building. Burned 1895.



The Solomon L. Russell School
Built in 1896. Capacity, 320 pupils. Cost, \$38,000.



The George N. Briggs School
Built in 1896. Capacity, 250 pupils. Cost, \$35,000.



The Henry L. Dawes School
Built in 1907. Capacity, 300 pupils. Cost, \$50,000.



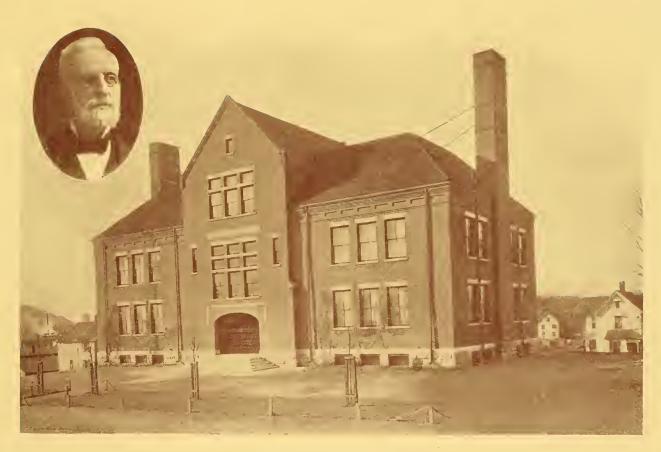
The William R. Plunkett School Built in 1909. Capacity, 640. Cost, \$80,000.



The Joseph Tucker School Built in 1888. Capacity, 700. Cost, \$50,000.



The Franklin F. Read School
Built in 1884. Capacity, 300 pupils. Cost, \$35,000.



The William B. Rice School Built in 1890. Capacity, 500. Cost, \$40,000.



The William M. Mercer School Built in 1904. Capacity, 500 pupils. Cost, \$00,000.



Gen. William Francis Bartlett School
Built in 1911. Capacity, 400 pupils. Cost, \$75,000. Picture shows Gen. Bartlett in service uniform.



The William Nugent School
Built in 1910. Capacity, 160 pupils. Cost, \$30,000.



Pittsfield School Buildings

Left-Redfield School, built in 1896. Capacity, 350 pupils. Cost. \$40,000.

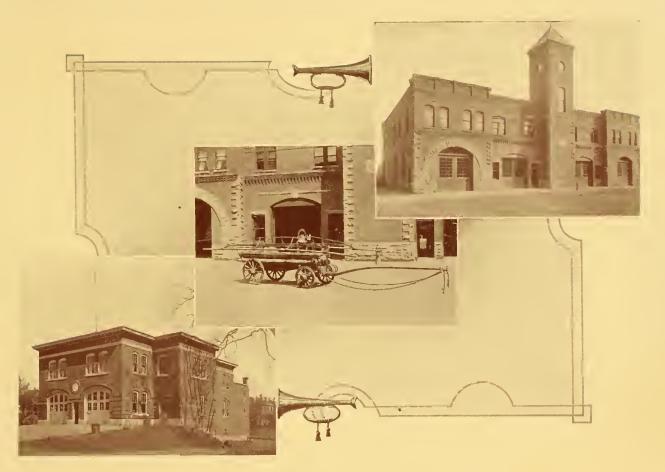
Center-Pontoosue School, built in 1884. Capacity, 160. Cost, \$18,000.

Right-Stearnsville School, built in 1892. Capacity, 160. Cost, \$18,000.



St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Parochial School Opened September, 1899.

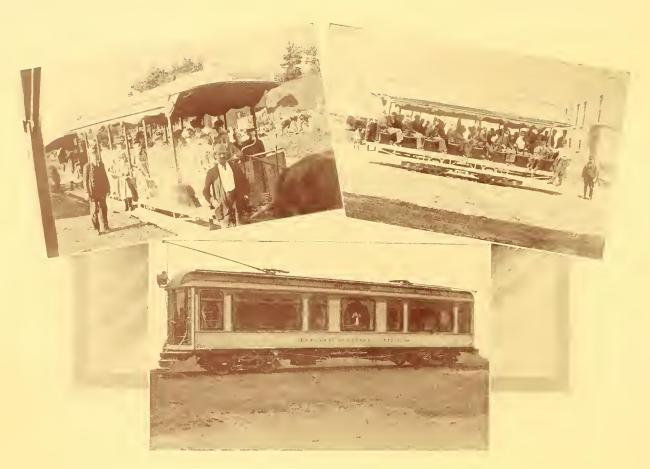
St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Academy Corner stone laid May, 1896.



Fire Department Buildings

Lower-Morningside Fire Department building, erected 1906. Center-A relic, "The Old Tub."

Upper-Central Fire Department building, erected 1895.



Street Railway Development

Upper left-Horsedrawn cars in 1880 at Lake station.

Lower Private car operated by Berkshire St. Ry. Co., 1900.



Pittsfield's Greatest Charity and Work

Lower left hand view—The Henry W. Bishop 3d Training School for Nurses.

Lower right hand view—House of Mercy and buildings in 1898.

Upper—The House of Mercy in 1911.



Graduate Nurses' Home. Built in 1909

Owned by Graduate Nurses' Association, alumni of Bishop Training School for Nurses. One of the few Nurses' Homes in America.



Hillcrest Hospital

Established by Dr. C. H. Richardson. Incorporated July, 1908. Capacity, 40 patients.



"Burbank Hotel Across the Way"

Built by Abraham Burbank, conducted by him and others for 40 years. Razed June, 1911.



The Berkshire County House of Correction
Built in 1871. Cost, \$190,000. Land bought of Abraham Burbank for \$6,500.



Armory of Co. F. 2d Infantry, M. V. M.

Erected 1908. Gov. Guild, Gen. Brigham, Gen. Emery, Col. Pierce, Capt. John Nicholson, George H. Cox, commissioners.

Small picture—Cannon at the Park.



The Government Mill

America's most noted paper mill. Here is made the paper on which bank notes and Government bonds are printed. Owned and managed by Crane & Co.



"Lake Gems Set at the Foot of Verdant Hills"



Springside Park. A Public Playground

This beautiful park, containing 10 acres of woodland, meadow, natural spring lake, hill and vale, was presented to the city of Pittsfield, 1909.

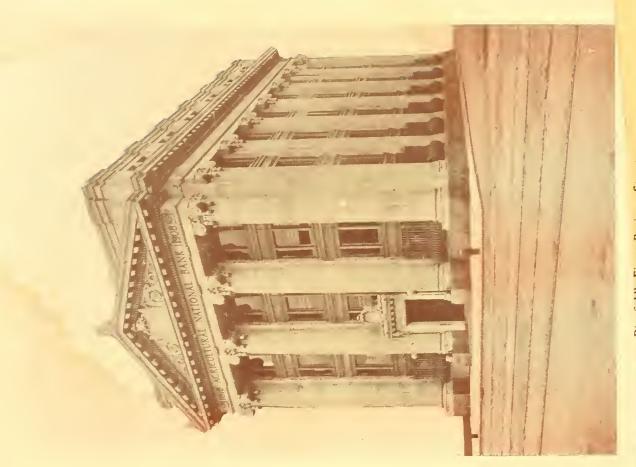


West Street From Roof of Hotel Wendell
'Showing the change in Jubilee Hill since the first Old Home Week celebration, known as "The Berkshire Jubilee," in 1844.



Left—The Pittsfield Y. M. C. A. Built by popular subscription in 1909. Cost, \$175,000.

Right—Boys' Club of Pittsfield. Built by Hon. Zenas Crane. Opened 1906. Cost, \$80,000.



New Home of the Agricultural National Bank erected at North, Fenn and Dunham Streets in 1908. Pittsfield's Finest Business Structure

